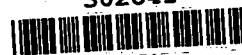




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VIA FACSIMILE AND CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 22, 2006

Louis D. Fletcher, Esq.
26 Newton Avenue
Woodbury, New Jersey 08096

Re: Matteo Iron and Metal, Inc. Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

By letter dated January 20, 2006, EPA mailed to you, also on behalf of your client, a Request for Information ("Request") letter issued pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e). As indicated in EPA's cover letter, your client's response to the Request letter should have been postmarked or received at EPA within 30 days of your receipt of the Request letter. EPA has a record indicating that you received this Request on January 27, 2006.

In addition, by letter dated March 2, 2006, EPA you were reminded of your client's requirements by law to respond to EPA's Request Letter. Your client's failure to comply in all respects with EPA's Request letter may now subject your client to an enforcement action under Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(5).

If EPA does not receive a response from your client to its request letter by **April 5, 2006** it will refer this matter to the Department of Justice seeking an enforcement action pursuant to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(5). Such an enforcement action may include the assessment of penalties of up to \$27,500 per day for each day of continued noncompliance.

As a courtesy a copy of the Instructions and Request for Information originally contained in the Request Letter is enclosed. I can be reached at 212-637-3140 to discuss any of these issues. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Damaris Urdaz Cristiano
Assistant Regional Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Nicholas Magriples, OSC, ERRD-Edison, without enclosure ✓
James Matteo, Matteo Iron and Metal, Inc., with enclosure